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Washington, D. C. 20231

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AMENDMENT

In response to an Office Action dated October 19,
1979 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification

Page 3 lines 20 and 28; and page 5 lines 1, 7 and 25
(two entries) delete " CH_2 ".

Page 3 lines 22 and 30; and page 5 lines 3, 8 and 28
delete "1 to 9" and add -- 2 to 10 -- .

Page 3 line 30; and page 5 line 9 after "atoms" add
-- or a cyclic group having the formula $-\text{CH}_2-\text{C}_6\text{H}_4-\text{CH}_2-$ --.

In the Claims

Claim 6 amend as follows:

1-6. (amended) A [The] non-absorbable monofilament
sterile surgical suture or ligature [of Claim 1] having an
attached needle comprising a polymeric block (A) consisting of
a polyalkylene ether of the formula $(\text{OR})_n \text{O} \text{C} \text{R}_2 \text{C}$ ⁰ ⁰ having a
number average molecular weight of from about 500-3000 wherein

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